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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No. 6597
Blaise J. Ganzel)	
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Serial No. 10/613,444)	Group Art Unit 3683
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Filed: July 3, 2003)	Examiner Devon C. Krame
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For: VEHICLE BRAKE SYSTEM)	Attorney Docket 1-23005

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement dated April 19, 2004, Applicant hereby elects Species I corresponding generally to Figures 1 through 3. Claims 1-7 and 9 read on the elected species. The election is made without traverse.

Claims 1-6 and 9 are generic. Please note that with respect to claim 5, all of the species include the input mechanism 13 as described in detail with respect to Figs. 1 through 3. With respect to claim 9, all of the species include apply and release valves, as described in detail with respect to Fig. 1, for controlling the various brake systems during an ABS event.

Respectfully submitted,

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